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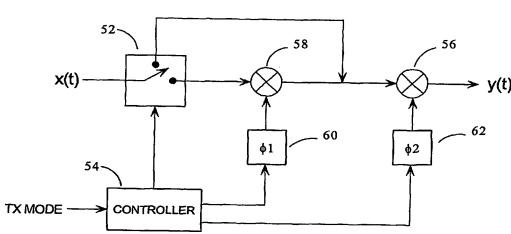
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(54) Title: MULTI-MODE MODULATOR AND TRANSMITTER



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates generally to communications, and more specifically to a method and apparatus of modulating baseband and RF (radio frequency) signals. A modulator topology is disclosed in which an input signal x(t) is up-converted to an output signal y(t), either by mixing it with two mixing signals \$\phi\$1 and \$\phi2 ("pseudo-direct conversion" mode), or by mixing it with only one mixing signal φ2 ("direct-conversion" mode). In pseudo-direct modulation mode, the φ1 and φ2 mixing signals emulate a local oscillator signal; the product φ1\* φ2 has significant power at the frequency of a local oscillator signal being emulated, but neither  $\phi 1$  nor  $\phi 2$  have significant power at the frequency of the input signal x(t), the LO signal being emulated, or the output signal  $\phi 1 \phi 2 x(t)$ 

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